

## Gove County Commissioner Meeting Minutes 11-9-2020-Approved

The regular meeting of the Gove County Commissioners was called to order at 8:15 a.m. at the Gove County Office Building meeting room. Members present were Duane Vollbracht, Mike Gillespie, and Chuck Kuntz. Bonnie Cook was present taking minutes. Ericka Nicholson, David Caudill, Mike Hasse Joined the meeting at 8:05 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mike made a motion to approve the agenda. Chuck seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

David Caudill said they have responded to the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of cares money. David also reported on the amount of covid-19 testing being done.

Ericka reported on the Rural EOC grant money that the County was awarded. The amount awarded was \$38,950.00 the amount spent was \$34,253.00. There is still \$4,697.00 remaining.

Duane made a motion to pass the county's Memorandum of Agreement. Mike second the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Cheryl Goetz joined the meeting at 8:24a.m. Duane called Cheri to join the meeting. Duane made a motion to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel for 10 min. 8:26 a.m. to 8:36 a.m. Mike second the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. Duane Vollbracht, Mike Gillespie, Chuck Kuntz, Cheryl Goetz, Mike Hasse, David Caudill, Cheri Remington (by phone) was in the executive session.

David Caudill asked for an executive session. Mike made a motion to go into executive session for real estate acquisition 15 minutes 8:49 a.m. to 9:04 a.m. Chuck second the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

David Mendenhall and Denise Wolf joined the meeting at 9:10 a.m. David stated that they started the project in Grainfield on Front St. Denise gave the commissioners the summery report for Road and Bridge vouchers. David ask to go into executive session. Mike made a motion to go into executive session 10 min. Chuck second the motion. Denise and David left at 9:36 a.m. Matt joined the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Matt reported that everything was going good at the landfill. Matt left the meeting at 9:51 a.m.

Mark Schmeidler joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m. Duane made a motion to go into executive session for real estate acquisition from 11:08 a.m. until 11:13 a.m. Commissioners and Mark left at 11:16 a.m. to tour the 4-H building in Grainfield. The commissioners and Mark returned at 1:00 p.m.

Mark asked for executive session. Mike made a motion to go into executive session to approve the contract to acquire real estate as proposed contract for 10 min from 1:12 p.m. to 1:22 p.m. Chuck second the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote

The executive session continued for another 10 minutes from 1:22 p.m. to 1:32 p.m. The commissioners had a conference call with Shawn Mesch.

Duane made a motion to approve AP checks from 66375 thru 66439.

Shawn Mesch and Mike Hasse joined the meeting at 2:06 p.m. Duane made a motion to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel for 10 min. from 2:09 to 2:24p.m. Chuck second the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. Duane requested to stay in executive session for another 15 min. 2:21 p.m. to 2:36 p.m. Shawn and Mike left the meeting at 2:45 p.m. Mike made a motion to sign the Gove County general public transportation letter. Chuck second it the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote. Duane contacted David Stithem to talk about the appraiser's office.

The commissioner discussed vacation time that is not being used by the employee's that are pulling double duties working as the E.O.C. /covid-19. The commissioners will let these employee's carry over 6 days instead of 3 and will pay the rest of the employee's vacation days at a 100%.

Duane called Cheri about their office being quarantined. The Treasurer office will re-open on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November 2020.

Duane made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:32 p.m. Mike seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned.